

### *Amendments to the Specification*

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0001]       ~~This application is a continuation in part, and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/348,815, filed July 08, 1999, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,534,630, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/459,101, filed June 02, 1995, which issued as U.S. Patent 5,945,300, which is a continuation in part of International Application No. PCT/US94/07736, filed July 12, 1994, which published as International Publication No. WO96/01896 in the English language; and furthermore this~~ This application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application Nos. 60/217,402, filed July 11, 2000 and 60/291,642 filed May 18, 2001, each of which ~~provisional, non-provisional, and international applications~~ is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. U.S. Patent App. No. 09/348,815, filed July 8, 1999, U.S. Patent App. No. 08/459,101, filed June 2, 1995, and International Application No. PCT/US94/07736, filed July 12, 1994, are also hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.